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SUBJECT: MORNING SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT REPORTS

### 1. MOOD IS UPBEAT AT OPENING SESSION OF PREPCON II

AFTER RECEIVING OFFERS OF COOPERATION FROM THE SAUDIS, IRANIANS, AND INDIANS IN THE INITIAL ROUND OF BILATERAL CONSULTATIONS AND THEN CONGRATULATIONS FROM MANY DELEGATIONS AT THE OPENING SESSION FOR HAVING GOTTEN NEGOTIATIONS BACK ON THE TRACK, THE US DELEGATION TO PREPCON II FEELS:

--THERE IS A GENERAL DETERMINATION AMONG THE DELEGATES TO MAKE THE CONFERENCE A SUCCESS.

--MOST DELEGATES BELIEVE THE POSITIVE MOOD OF THE SEVENTH SPECIAL SESSION HAS CARRIED OVER TO PARIS.

HOWEVER, THE GENERALLY GOOD IMPRESSION LEFT BY THE BILAT-

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ERALS AND THE FIRST DAY SHOULD NOT OBSCURE THE ACTUAL DIF-

FICULTIES POSED BY SPECIFIC SUBJECTS. THE CONFERENCE  
TERMS OF REFERENCE MAY PROVE PARTICULARLY TROUBLESOME.  
(CONFIDENTIAL) PARIS 26529 AND 26530, 10/13.)

2. THAI OFFICIALS OPPOSE RESIDUAL US PRESENCE AT UTAPAO

DEPUTY PRIME MINISTER AND MINISTER OF DEFENSE PRAMAN HAS  
ANNOUNCED HIS OPPOSITION TO MAKING THE US BASE AT UTAPAO  
AVAILABLE TO OUR FORCES ON A CONTINGENCY BASIS AFTER NEXT  
MARCH'S TOTAL PULLOUT. PRAMAN'S STATEMENT WAS ECHOED BY  
A FOREIGN MINISTRY SPOKESMAN, WHO DENIED THAT THE US HAD  
MADE ANY SUCH REQUEST.

EMBASSY BANGKOK COMMENTS:

--ALTHOUGH THE STATEMENTS DO NOT PRECLUDE AGREEING ON  
A RESIDUAL US PRESENCE, THE OFFICIALS INVOLVED HAVE  
BOXED THEMSELVES IN AND WILL FIND THEIR REMARKS DIFFI-  
CULT TO DISAVOW.

--WE MUST MOVE QUICKLY TO OPEN TALKS BEFORE CONTINU-  
ING PUBLIC DISCUSSION FURTHER REDUCES THE OPTIONS.  
(CONFIDENTIAL) BANGKOK 21591, 10/14.)

3. TURKEY-CYPRUS: THE PACE IS SLOW

FOLLOWING A LENGTHY POST-ELECTION SESSION WITH CAGLAYANGIL,  
AMBASSADOR MACOMBER BELIEVES THAT WHILE THE FOREIGN MINI-  
STER WILL REVIEW THE CDI POSITION, THE OUTCOME MAY NOT BE  
IMMEDIATELY POSITIVE. IF A QUICK RESTORATION OF THE ACTIV-  
ITIES IS THOUGHT NECESSARY IN WASHINGTON, THE AMBASSADOR  
RECOMMENDS THREE HIGH LEVEL REPRESENTATIONS--THE PRESIDENT  
OR THE SECRETARY TO CAGLAYANGIL OR DEMIREL; GENERAL HAIG TO  
GENERAL SANCAR; AND THE DEPARTMENT TO AMBASSADOR ESENBEL.

ON CYPRUS, THE AMBASSADOR IS CONCERNED ABOUT CAGLAYANGIL'S  
CONTINUED VAGUENESS AND BY THE LIKELIHOOD THAT THE GOT'S  
NOTION OF BEING FLEXIBLE WILL NOT APPEAR SO TO OTHERS.  
MACOMBER RECOMMENDS, HOWEVER, THAT FOR THE MOMENT WE WAIT  
TO SEE IF PROMPT AND ADEQUATE TURKISH ACTION IS FORTHCOM-  
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